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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Grimes:

On Tuesday morning, September 9, 1980, Mr. Steve Hoambrecker of our Regional Office in Washington, Iowa and Mr. Ron Kolpa of my staff visited your acreage north of Keokuk, Iowa. (Mrs. Grimes, you had earlier given your permission to Mr. Hoambrecker.) As I'm sure you are aware, your property had been used in the past by Sheller-Globe Corporation as a disposal and open burning site.

The purpose of our visit was to determine the likelihood of any present or future environmental problems associated with Sheller-Globe's past disposal activities. Based on our observations, we find such likelihood quite remote.

Of greatest concern is the endangerment of your private water supply. This, of course, could not be determined through visual inspection alone. Later that day, we met with Mr. Michael Stone and other Sheller-Globe officials. The company has indicated their intent to cooperate fully in resolving any concerns. In that respect, we have asked Sheller-Globe to procure water samples from wells in the area (including yours) and analyze for an extensive list of parameters. You can expect to be contacted in the near future regarding the sampling of your well.

Again, I emphasize that we anticipate no problems and we would encourage you to agree to having your well sampled. Of course, results will be made available to you.



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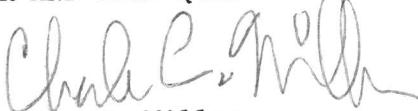
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If you have any questions or if you would care to discuss this  
in greater detail please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

AIR AND LAND QUALITY DIVISION



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Director

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